

**Zion Christian School
Board Meeting
April 27, 2004
Public Minutes**

OPENING OF MEETING. Ed Heerema, board president, opened the meeting at 7:00pm by reading Second Corinthians chapter three, and leading in prayer.

ROLL CALL. Present were: Les Berkenpas; Jim Drew; Ed Heerema; Jason Heerema; Carl Kooiker; Ken Smith; Bruce Sterk, and Tom Kwekel.

MINUTES APPROVED. The minutes of March 23, 2004 were approved.

CORRESPONDANCE.

- * Joan Broene, April 13, 2004. Sharing her thoughts and encouragement.
- * Joanna Thomasma, March 30, 2004. Requesting information.
- * Larry & Beverly Terborg, March 30, 2004. Sharing their thankfulness for the volleyball program, the coach, Joanna Heerema and the joy it has been for their daughter.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT. Jason Heerema, Administrator, presented a written report. We received approximately \$23,000 at the banquet! We have run some ads on WFUR radio. There will be an open house Thursday, April 29th. There have been a lot of parent visits to the school from families considering us for next year. Teacher contracts have been distributed. Parent surveys have been distributed to elementary parents. As part of this report the principal presented some parental concerns to the board. MEAPS were given to the Juniors this week. There will be a board/staff picnic Tuesday, June 1st. There will be a teacher farewell party for the students to be able to say goodbye to the teachers that are not returning next year.

MATH CLASS CREDIT. On motion the class, Accounting and Finance, was approved as a High School Math credit.

BYLAW COMMITTEE. Craig Baker, chairman of the bylaw committee, was present to present a report. On motion the board recommended to the Association the approval of the bylaw changes as presented by the Bylaw Committee.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS. Bruce Sterk reported for the committee.

TREASURER'S REPORT. Les Berkenpas presented a written report for the committee. On motion the Proposed Operating Fund Cash Budget for 2004-2005 was approved by the board and recommended to the Association for approval.

PUBLIC RELATIONS. Ed Heerema reported for the committee.

EDUCATION. Ken Smith reported for the committee.

TRANSPORTATION. Carl Kooiker reported for the committee.

AGENDA APPROVED. On motion the agenda for the Spring 2004 Association Meeting was approved as presented.

MISSION STATEMENT AMENDED. On motion the Mission Statement was amended by deleting the word "classical". The reason for the change is that we used the term in the sense of "traditional", but "Classical" is also a term used to refer to a specific philosophy of education and therefore the term could be confusing to some people. The mission statement now reads:

The Mission of Zion Christian School is to provide our students an education based on the authority of the Word of God, to enable our students to understand God's creation from a Reformed world and life view, and to prepare our students to live their lives under the Lordship of Jesus Christ.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING. The moderator declared that the next meeting will be May 25, 2004.

ADJOURNMENT. On motion the meeting adjourned at 11:00 p.m. with prayer led by Bruce Sterk.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rev. Ken Smith
Secretary